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JEFF TROYER CHAIR

State 911 Committee Special Meeting

October 5, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Voting Members Present	Representing
Mr. Jeff Troyer, Chair	House Appointee, Public Member
Ms. April Heinze	Senate Appointee, Public Member
Chief Mark Barnes	Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs
Mr. Scott Temple	Governor's Appointee, Public Member
Sheriff Richard Behnke	Michigan Sheriffs' Association
Mr. Steven Berenbaum	Commercial Mobile Radio Service
Mr. Rich Feole	Assoc. of Public Safety Communication Officials
Ms. Stephanie Lehman	National Emergency Number Association
Mr. Ken Mitchell	Michigan Association of Counties
Mr. Michael Sauger	Michigan Fraternal Order of Police
Ms. Jordyn Sellek	Michigan Communication Directors Assoc.
Major Beth Clark	Michigan State Police
Sgt. Kelly Linebaugh	Michigan State Police Troopers Association
Voting Members Remote	Representing
Mr. Gary Johnson	UP Emergency Medical Services Corp.
Ms. Wendy Thelen	Michigan Public Service Commission
Non-Voting Members Present	Representing
Ms. Joni Harvey	State 911 Administrative Office
Ms. Theresa Hart	State 911 Administrative Office
Voting Members Absent	Representing
Mr. Dale Berry	Michigan Assoc. of Ambulance Services
Mr. Mark Docherty	Michigan Professional Firefighters Union
Ms. Jeanette Doll	Michigan Dept. of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs
Mr. Scott Stevenson	Telecommunications Assoc. of Michigan
Chief Dale Greenleaf	Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police
Sgt. Matthew Miller	Deputy Sheriff's Association

I. Call to Order

Mr. Jeff Troyer called the special meeting of the State 911 Committee (SNC) to order at 11 a.m.

II. Roll Cal

Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present.

III. Old Business

HB5026 with Amendments

It was originally determined an increase from 25 cents to 27 cents would be needed on postpaid, and an increase from 5% to 6.5% on prepaid retail customers. Before the bill was introduced, the increases were explained to legislators who were very receptive. The increase in both postpaid and prepaid were included in the bill submitted in June. The state then received \$3.2M in excess sales tax revenue, and the legislature was reluctant to increase any fees.

The legislature was still interested in funding 911 and began talking about a one-time appropriation. Moving forward, the funding would come from the fees collected. This would allow the postpaid fee to remain at 25 cents, and prepaid would increase to 6% instead of the proposed 6.5%. The local surcharge language will remain the same.

The budget bill states \$16M is appropriated to the 911 fund; however, HB5026 needs to pass in order to actually receive the funds. The budget bill was signed last week.

The meeting packet included the first substitute to the original bill including language changes, and a separate sheet listing the amendments submitted by the LAS workgroup. Ms. Sellek went through the items changed in the bill outside of updating definitions, including funding changes, audit language, and payment language requested by Peninsula Fiber Network.

The testimonial hearing is tomorrow with the vote taking place next week. Any agency can submit letters of support. A letter of support will be submitted on behalf of the SNC if the vote today is favorable. Ms. Pat Coates is testifying on behalf of the MCDA.

A **MOTION** was made by Sheriff Richard Behnke, with support by Chief Mark Barnes, for the SNC to endorse HB5026, draft three.

With no further discussion, the MOTION carried.

IV. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

V. Next Meeting

December 8, 2021, at 10 a.m. Michigan State Police HQ

VI. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.